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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 17, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

The Applicants acknowledge the receipt of the Office Action ("the Action") mailed on November 17, 2004, which has been carefully reviewed and studied. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the following remarks. In order to facilitate the Examiner's evaluation of the application, Applicants have attempted to address the rejections in the Action in the same order in which they were originally raised.

The response is timely filed, and Applicants believe no fees are due in connection with this response. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0892.

RESPONSE

I. Status of the Claims

No claims have been cancelled. No claims have been amended. No new claims have been added.

Claims 2 and 4-7 are therefore presently pending in the case.

II. Rejection of Claim 7 Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, First Paragraph

The Action rejects claim 7 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as allegedly not enabled